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Contract

Provision of Foster Care and Continuing Care Service

Falkirk Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-036609

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04d6bb

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Falkirk Council

The Foundry, 4 Central Park, Central Boulevard

Falkirk

FK5 4RU

Email

cpu@falkirk.gov.uk

Telephone

+44 1324506566

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM76 - Falkirk

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.falkirk.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00184

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Provision of Foster Care and Continuing Care Service

Reference number

CS/047/25

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Framework Agreement for foster placements and continuing care for children and young people requiring this provision preferably within a 25-mile radius of West Bridge Street, Falkirk, FK1 5RS.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £15,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85310000 - Social work services
- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation

- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people
- 85320000 - Social services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM76 - Falkirk

Main site or place of performance

Placements within a 25-mile radius of West Bridge Street, Falkirk, FK1 5RS.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Framework Agreement for foster placements and continuing care for children and young people requiring this provision preferably within a 25-mile radius of West Bridge Street, Falkirk, FK1 5RS.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information

The duration of the Framework Agreement will be four years with the option to extend for up to two further years.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

IV.1.10) Identification of the national rules applicable to the procedure

Information about national procedures is available at:

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2015/446/part/2/chapter/3/crossheading/social-and-other-specific-services/made>

IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure

The scope of services to be provided under this Framework falls within the definition of social and other specific services in Schedule 3 to the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 ("the Regulations") and therefore the procurement process shall be subject to the requirements of section 7 of the Regulations.

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2025/S 000-002837](#)

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

4 April 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 12

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 11

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 12

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 12

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Aberlour Child Care Trust

135 Fifty Pitches Road

Glasgow

G51 4EB

Telephone

+44 7717535819

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM - Scotland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Barnardo's

111 Oxfangs Road North, Edinburgh

Edinburgh

EH14 1ED

Telephone

+44 1314467000

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Care Visions Fostering Scotland

Unit 9, Ramsay House, The Courtyard, Callendar Business Park, Callendar Road

Falkirk

FK1 1XR

Telephone

+44 1324464200

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Dean and Cauvin Young People's Trust

68, St John's Road

Edinburgh

EH12 8AT

Telephone

+44 1312977318

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Foster Care Associates Scotland Limited

Pavilion 3 Gateway Office Park, 7 Cambuslang Way

Glasgow

G32 8ND

Telephone

+44 1527573662

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM82 - Glasgow City

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Fostering People

Unit F, Software Centre, Prospect Business Centre, Gemini Crescent, Dundee Technology Park,

Dundee

DD2 1TY

Telephone

+44 1527573700

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM - Scotland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Fostering Relations

1st Floor, East Gateway, Beancross Rd

Grangemouth

FK3 8WH

Telephone

+44 1324464947

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Fosterplus Scotland

Liberty House, , 15 Cromarty Campus

Rosyth

KY11 2YB

Telephone

+44 1527556480

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The National Fostering Agency (Scotland)

1st Floor, East Gateway, Beancross Rd

Grangemouth

FK3 8WH

Telephone

+44 1502526181

Fax

+44 1502587675

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Quarriers

20 St Kenneth Drive

Glasgow

G514QD

Telephone

+44 1505616000

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Swiis Foster Care

Glenelvan House, Enterprise Way, Carnegie Campus South

Dunfermline

KY118PY

Telephone

+44 1383842284

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM - Scotland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

TACT

303 Hither Green Lane

london

se136tj

Telephone

+44 7760628641

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £15,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Bidders are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

The scope of services to be provided under this Framework falls within the definition of social and other specific services in Schedule 3 to the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 ("the Regulations") and therefore the procurement process shall be subject to the requirements of section 7 of the Regulations.

SPPN 7/2021 may apply.

Reserve right to open Framework to new entrants. New Entrants will be subject to the same requirements as detailed in this Contract Notice and Tender Documents. New Entrants can apply by making initial contact to cpu@falkirk.gov.uk.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Court of Session

Edinburgh

Country

United Kingdom